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SUBJECT: UNCTAD - LIKELY ATTENDEES AT EXPERTS MEETING ON
HARD FIBERS

REF: ADAIR/BRUCE TELCON OF 8/22

1. UNCTAD SECRETARIAT GAVE MISSION OFFICER NAMES OF FOL-
LOWING EXPERTS EXPECTED TO ATTEND SUBJECT MEETING:

- MEXICO - RIOSECO - DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF CORDEMEX
- PROCESSING FIRM
- JOSE MARTIN-PEREZ - TECHNICAL DIRECTOR OF SAME FIRM

- TANZANIA - MLUNDI - GEN MGR OF TANZANIAN SISAL AU-
THORITY
- KATABALUKI - ECONOMIST, FOREIGN OFFICE

- EEC - DAVID MUSIC - FORMER SECRETARY OF FAO INTER-
GOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON HARD FIBERS
- JARMAN - TROPICAL PRODUCTS INSTITUTE, LONDON AND

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- CHAIRMAN OF FAO ADVISORY WORKING PARTY ON HARD FIBER
- RESEARCH
- MAURICE BIHR - FRENCH TRADER
- POLAND - ZYGMUND RACZYNSKI - FIBER EXPERT

FOLLOWING COUNTRIES, BESIDES THE U.S., HAVE NOT YET IN-

FORMED SECRETARIAT WHO WILL REPRESENT THEM AT EXPERT MEETING: BRAZIL, KENYA AND JAPAN. MADAGASCAR DECLINED INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETING.

2. CORDING, FRG NATIONAL WHO WORKS FOR LEHTI IN UNCTAD SECRETARIAT, TOLD MISSION OFFICER THAT WHILE SECRETARIAT HAD ORIGINALLY HOPED THAT COUNTRIES WOULD EACH SEND ONE EXPERT, TO KEEP MEETING SMALL, THEY ARE NOW PREPARED TO ACCREDIT UP TO TWO EXPERTS FROM EACH COUNTRY, AS LONG AS THEY ARE TRULY TECHNICAL EXPERTS AND NOT MISSION OFFICERS. CORDING EXPLAINED THAT MISSION OFFICERS WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO HAVE EXPERTISE TO CONTRIBUTE TO HIGHLY TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS OF EXPERT GROUP ON QUESTIONS RELATING TO PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION OF HARD FIBERS. FYI: CORDING MENTIONED THAT AN OFFICIAL FROM TANZANIAN MISSION IN BONN HAD EXPRESSED INTEREST IN ACCOMPANYING TWO TANZANIAN EXPERTS TO THE MEETING, BUT AGREED NOT TO COME AFTER CONSULTING WITH THE UNCTAD SECRETARIAT. CORDING SAID THAT SECRETARIAT IS DELIGHTED THAT MUSIC AND JARMAN -- TWO HIGHLY QUALIFIED EXPERTS -- WILL REPRESENT THE EEC AT THE HARD FIBERS MEETING. SINCE BOTH, HOWEVER, ARE UK NATIONALS, THE SECRETARIAT AGREED TO A FRENCH REQUEST TO ADD BIHR, A FRENCH TRADER, AS A THIRD EXPERT TO REPRESENT THE EEC. END FYI.

3. CORDING SAID SECRETARIAT HOPES TO RECEIVE NAMES OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REMAINING EXPERTS WHO WILL ATTEND HARD FIBERS MEETING BY THE END OF THIS WEEK, IF POSSIBLE. VANDEN HEUVEL

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